## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 590 By Overbey

## A RESOLUTION To honor the memory of Bob J. Jones of Knox County.

WHEREAS, The members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Mr. Bob J. Jones of Knox County; and

WHEREAS, Bob J. Jones served with probity for 26 years as General Manager of the West Knox Utility District; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones was born in November of 1930 in Decatur, Georgia; he served his country with valor during the Korean Conflict as a Navy Seabee; and

WHEREAS, Bob Jones moved with his family to Knoxville, Tennessee in 1958; since 1974 he had served as the General Manager of the West Knox Utility District, one of the most financially sound utility districts in the state of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones had served as a Commissioner of the Webb Creek Utility District, as Chairman of the Utility Management Review Board since 1987, and had been an active member of the American Water Works Association, the National Rural Water Association and Water Environment and Technology; and

WHEREAS, Bob Jones was an active and important part of his community and his profession, participating in numerous civic organizations, including meritorious service as

President of the Cedar Bluff Optimist Club, as Charter President of the Cedar Bluff-Farragut Little League, and as a member of the Lions Club; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones was fortunate to enjoy the love and support of Margaret Ann Vanosdale Jones, his wife of 58 years; together they proudly raised Kathy, Michael, Mark and Elizabeth and were the loving grandparents of nine grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Bob Jones exemplified the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; although he retired from his duties as General Manager of the West Knox Utility District in November 2000, he was recently elected President of the Tennessee Association of Utility Districts in July of 2001; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his estimable career, Mr. Jones demonstrated a remarkable ability to motivate others to reach their potential, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his peers and superiors alike; and

WHEREAS, Bob Jones was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life and diligence and dedication in all chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor the memory of Bob J. Jones, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Bob Jones.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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